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Sent: Wednesday, August 5, 2020 8:52 AM
To: Stanfield, Brooks
Cc: Fowlow, Jeffrey; Nuchims, Eric
Subject: RE: Water service from Spokane Recycling well and hydrants

Sounds good. I still have not heard back from SRC's attorney. I'll let you know if he requests water metering or raises any other issues.

Also, Stephanie Mairs will be covering for me Aug 7-17. I am briefing her tomorrow and will provide her with all the contact information for the various parties' attorneys.

Enjoy the sun and heat!

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Subject: RE: Water service from Spokane Recycling well and hydrants

Hi Kris-

I spoke with James this morning about water and brush clearing around the RR tracks. The communication and cooperation from him seems to be going well right now.

Regarding water using from the SR hydrants, James relayed that Mr. Hothi is supportive of our use of water from his system as long as we are covered in terms of Department of Health permits. I told James that we have our permitting requirements for our project covered through our own legal channels and left it at that. It turns out our use of their system is actually helpful to SR because it's moving water through their old system and kind of testing things out. James relayed that Hothi said "we can take what we want." Right now we would be using a very minor amount – 1,500 gallons/day – but if this changes, I'll just communicate that to James so we can make sure they are aware of our usage as they monitor the performance of their system.

We did not discuss metering the water. If asked, we can put a meter on the SR hydrant to keep track just as we do for Water District water.

The brush clearing topic isn't really worth your time, but they are coordinating with our work along RR tracks to know when is a good time to do some brush control measures. I told him to hold off because our clearing could save them time and money once we're done. It was a good indication that they are cooperating.

Another hot sunny day here in Spoke.

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I still haven't heard back from SRC's attorney on this. I informed him of EPA's planned water use, and James/Hothi approval. I asked for him to inform us of any aquifer/water use rights issues that may impact the quantity EPA intends to use. I also informed him that we are aware SRC does not have a permit from DOH for water use and references the CERCLA regs regarding permit exemptions.

I meant to mention this on our call just now, but forgot.

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Kris-
I spoke with James Getter – SR's on-site facility manager – this morning about using water from the SR fire hydrants to supply water to assist us with dust suppression efforts. James was cooperative and provided the follow pieces information and potential issues.

Right now, our crew would like to connect a small hose (described as a garden hose) to the SR hydrant out near Building 34 to provide a small but constant supply of water to our mister. The equipment operator estimates this would draw no more than 1,500 gallons/day. We would continue to use the Spokane Valley Water District #3 hydrant to fill our water truck with larger volumes of water.

According to James, their water tower maintains a little over 91,000 gallons at any given time. Also, in order to successfully obtain the occupancy permit for the site that SR is actively working toward, they have to demonstrate that their water system is able to supply 2,000 gallons per hour for two consecutive hours. Although James says that their system has not been really used on any consistent basis, he is confident that our needs of 1,500 gallons per day would be well within the system's capacity. James said that he spoke with Mr. Hothi about this this morning, and Mr. Hothi didn't seem to have concerns, but I think checking in with Spokane Recycling directly through the legal channel would be appropriate to confirm that he concurs with James' assessment of the system's capacity to support our need.

If SR believes their system is able to support our usage, we may need to address whether we would need to meter our usage because of water rights limitations (this is a legal matter James isn't able to speak to, but maybe Hothi or his attorney can) and whether we need to connect with State DOH regarding their approval. I will hold off looking into either of these matters until you've had a chance to speak with SR.

Let me know if there are any questions or details I can clear up for you.

Thank you,

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